FORM PTO-1390 (REV. 10-2003) U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO

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TITLE OF INVENTION

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METHOD FOR RECOVERING HIGH-PURITY POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE FROM MICROBIAL CELL

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- 1. ☑ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- 3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
- 4. ☐ The US has been elected (Article 31).
- 5. ☑ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. \square is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. 🗹 has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. \square is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
- 6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a.
 is attached hereto.
 - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a \square are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. \square have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. D have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
- 8.

 An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- 9. ☑ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
- 10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

- 11. ☑ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- 13. ☑ A preliminary amendment.
- 14. ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
- 15. □ A substitute specification.
- 16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
- 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter. 2 and 37 CFR 1.821 1.825.
- 18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 19. □ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 20. ☑ Other items or information: International Search Report, cover sheet of published PCT application; Receipt for Deposit of Microorganism and English translation thereof

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LISPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT						1
Article 33(1)-(4)						
					\$ 200.00	
23.☑ Search Fee Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2) has been paid on the						
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International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office\$ 400.00						1
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All other situations \$ 500.00						
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS					\$ 900.00	1
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$360.00					\$ -0-	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =					\$ 900.00	
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.					\$ -0-	
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property					\$ 40.00	
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NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a position to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or						
(b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending statute. SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:						
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